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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

HARRISON, JOE A.

Examiner

Hae M. Hyeon

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133).
- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 18 January 2005.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4 and 6 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4 and 6 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 22 December 2003 is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☒ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

1. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

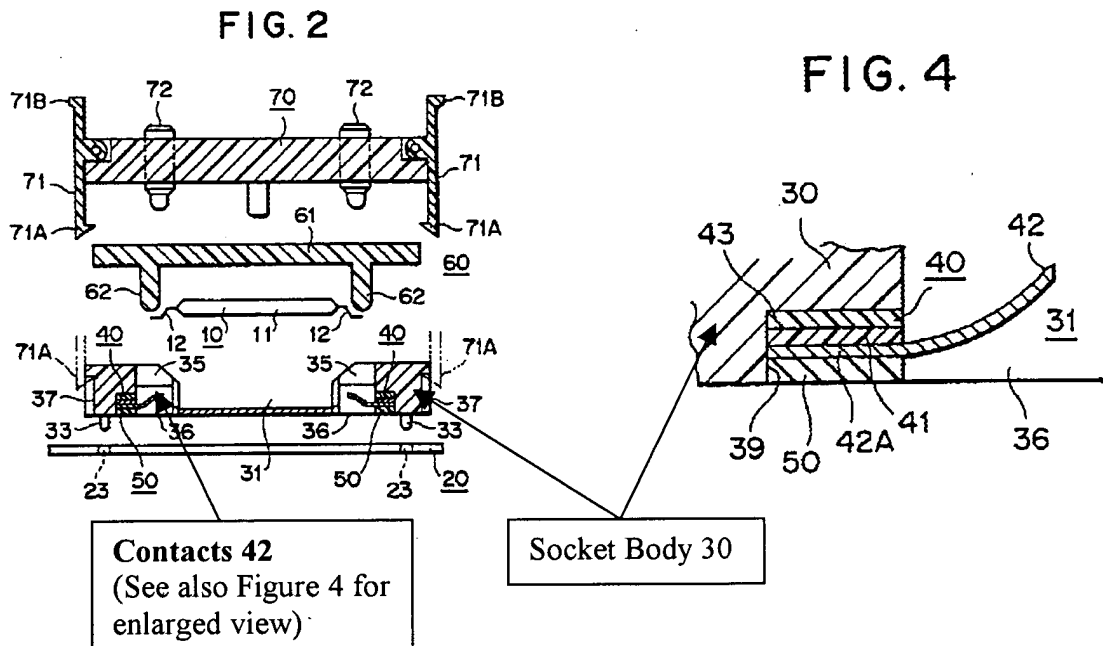
2. Claim 5 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Harrison et al (6,392,899 B1) in view of Yamazaki et al (5,975,915).

Harrison discloses a motherboard comprising a substrate 28, an interposer 50 on the substrate 28, a DC-to-DC converter secured on the interposer 50, and contacts 56 located between the interposer 50 and the substrate 28. Although Harrison does not describe the substrate 28 containing power sockets, it is inherent that the substrate 28 contains the power sockets because Figure 4 shows the contacts 56 passing through the substrate 28. Also, Harrison does not disclose the contacts being made of copper. However, copper is the most common material for making contacts of an electronic device. Furthermore, while Harrison discloses a die 52, it is not clear whether the contacts 56 are located all around the die since the drawings only show side view of the die 52 and the substrate 28.

Yamazaki discloses an interposer 30 having contacts 42 mounted on a circuit board 20 and a die 10 mounted on the interposer 30. Figures 1 and 4 show the contacts 42 being located all around the die 10. Figure 2 shows the contacts 42 are placed underneath the interposer 30 and in between the interposer 30 and the circuit board 20.

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It would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to modify the motherboard taught by Harrison such that it would have contacts all around a die as taught by Yamazaki because it only deals modifying the motherboard to accept different type of dies. Dies having contacts all around every side or two opposite sides are commonly known.



Response to Arguments

3. Applicant's arguments filed January 18, 2005 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

The applicant argues that the contacts 42 of Yamazaki are not placed underneath the socket body 30 and in between the socket body 30 and the circuit board 20. Also, the applicant argues that Figure 2 of Yamazaki does not even illustrate the contacts 42.

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The examiner disagrees with the applicant because Figure 2 of Yamazaki clearly shows the contacts 42, except the contacts are not labeled. However, Figure 4 of Yamazaki shows the enlarged view of the contacts 42 of Figure 2. Furthermore, the contacts are clearly placed in between the socket body 30 and the circuit board 20 because Figures 2 and 4 show the socket body 30 (labeled in Fig. 4) being placed on the circuit board 20 and the contacts 42 are in between the socket body 30 and the circuit board 20. Therefore, the references by Harrison et al in view of Yamazaki et al disclose all the limitations recited in claims 1-4 and 6. Thus, the examiner believes that the rejections applied in the previous office action are appropriate.

Conclusion

4. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than **SIX MONTHS** from the date of this final action.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hae M. Hyeon whose telephone number is 571-272-2093. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon.-Fri. (8:30-5:30).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tulsidas C. Patel can be reached on (571) 272-2098. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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